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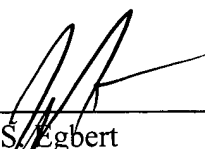
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 1, 2003, having a response being due on January 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment A: CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please cancel Claims 1 - 11 and substitute Claims 12 - 25 therefor as follows:

Claims 1 - 11 (canceled).

12. (new) A permanent magnetic water treating device comprising:

a tubular housing having disc-shaped ring magnets and magnetizable spacer discs located therein, said housing having a longitudinal axis, said ring magnets and said spacer discs extending coaxially to said longitudinal axis, said housing having a first connecting piece at one end thereof and a second connecting piece at an opposite end thereof, said housing having a means therein for causing a continuous spiral motion of the water passing through said housing; and